(a) whether upto-date telephone Directories are available to the telephone users of Assam, if so, when these were last brought out;

(b) whether the Telephone Advisory Committee, Assam, had recommended Publication of an Assam Circle Telephone Directory; and

(c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be published?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) No, Sir These were last brought out almost two years back with publishing of supplementary directory for Kamrup Telecom District on 29.8.1990.

(b) Yes, Sir, it was recommended to print a consolidated telephone directory comprising of all telephone exchanges in Assam Telecom Circle during the TAC meeting held on 16.7.1990.

(c) This is likely to be published in a period of about 9 months subject to acceptance of tenders, not as a Circle Directory but separately for each S.S.A. (Secondary Switching Area).

[*Translation*]

Shifting of P.M.G. Office in Uttar Pradesh

3863. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) since when the the office of the Post Master General (North), Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh is functioning and the districts attached to it;

(b) whether there is any proposal to shift the said office; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) The office of the Postmaster Generaly Bareilly Region has been functioning since 15.3.1990. The following revenue districts are attached to it:

i) Almora

ii) Badaun

iii) Bareilly

iv) Hardoi

v) Kheri

vi) Moradabad

vii) Nainital

viii) Pithoragarh

ix) Shahjahanpur

(b) No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Vividh Bharati Commercial Programmes from Jabalpur Station of AIR

3864. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to put into operation the 10 KW-FM-Stereo system to broadcast Vividh Bharati Commercial and other programmes from Jabalpur Station of AIR; and